

APPLICANT: Michael B. Kennedy	PETITION NO:	Z-12
PHONE#: 678-939-0452 EMAIL: mikek.gce@gmail.com	HEARING DATE (PC):	02-03-15
REPRESENTATIVE: Michael B. Kennedy	HEARING DATE (BOC): _	02-17-15
PHONE#: 678-939-0452 EMAIL: mikek.gce@gmail.com	PRESENT ZONING:	R-20
TITLEHOLDER: Michael Kennedy		
	PROPOSED ZONING:	FST
PROPERTY LOCATION: East side of South Hurt Road, across from		
Donna Drive	PROPOSED USE:	
(3865 South Hurt Road).		
ACCESS TO PROPERTY: South Hurt Road	SIZE OF TRACT:	3.48 acres
	DISTRICT:	17
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS TO SITE: One story frame house	LAND LOT(S):	96, <i>121</i>
	PARCEL(S):	15
	TAXES: PAID X DU	J E
CONTIGUOUS ZONING/DEVELOPMENT	COMMISSION DISTRICTS	:_4

NORTH: R-20/ Pineland Springs Subdivision

SOUTH: R-20/ Russell Ridge Estate Subdivision

EAST: R-20/ Fox Fire Forest Subdivision
WEST: R-20/ Russell Heights Subdivision

OPPOSITION: NO. OPPOSED___PETITION NO:____SPOKESMAN ____

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

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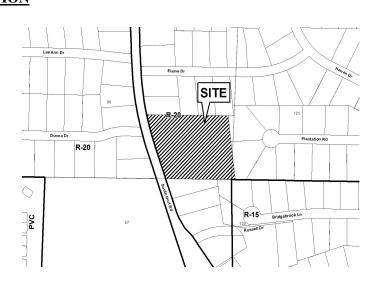
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DECISION

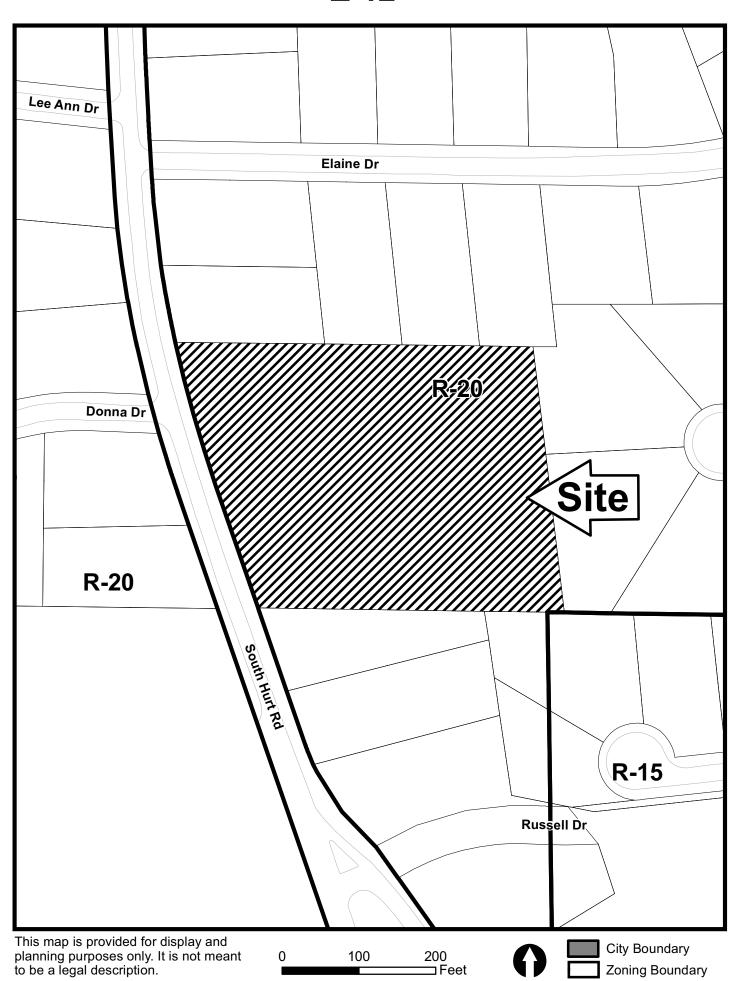
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STIPULATIONS:





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ZONING COMMENTS: Staff Men	mber Responsible: Terry Martin, M	IPA
Land Use Plan Recommendation: Lov	w Density Residential	
Proposed Number of Units: 18	Overall Density: 5.17	Units/Acre
Staff estimate for allowable # of units: 6 *Estimate could be higher or lower based on engineer natural features such as creeks, wetlands, etc., and other		Units/Lots nape of property, utilities, roadway

The applicant is requesting a rezoning to the FST fee simple townhouse residential district in order to develop 18 townhomes on the site's 3.48 acres. The proposed units' minimum square footage will be 2,000 and they will be craftsman in style with proposed selling prices around \$250,000. The community will be gated and pervious pavers will be used for all interior streets. The applicant proposes to keep many of the larger trees on site.

The applicant's proposal yields a density of 5.17 units per acre. This density is more than double the maximum of 2.5 units per acre usually found within areas delineated as LDR low density residential. Surrounding subdivisions zoned R-20 and R-15 all have densities within the range forecast by the LDR designation (1-2.5 upa) including Fox Fire Forest to the east (1.6 upa), Covered Bridge Crossing to the south (1.8 upa), and Russell Heights to the west (2.5 upa). The only high density development in the vicinity is the Verandas at Barnes Mill Townhomes which lies 0.3 miles to the west on Hicks Road and is zoned PVC within a MDR medium density residential future land use area.

<u>Cemetery Preservation</u>: No comment.

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SCHOOL COMMENTS:

			Number of
		Capacity	Portable
Name of School	Enrollment	Status	Classrooms
Russell	676	Under	
Elementary Floyd	935	Under	
Middle Osborne	1,999	Under	

High

• School attendance zones are subject to revision at any time.

Additional Comments:

FIRE COMMENTS:

GUEST PARKING: When projects contemplate less than 20 foot separation between units, guest parking shall be provided or the streets shall be labeled as a fire lane.

PLANNING COMMENTS:

The applicant is requesting a rezoning from R-20 to FST for townhouses. The 3.48 acre site is located on the east side of South Hurt Road, Across from Donna Drive.

Comprehensive Plan

The parcel is within a Low Density Residential (LDR) future land use category, with R-20 zoning designation. The purpose of the Low Density Residential (LDR) category is to provide for areas that are suitable for low density housing between one (1) and two and one-half (2.5) dwelling units per acre. This category presents a range of densities.

Master Plan/Corridor Study

Not applicable.

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PLANNING COMMENTS: (Continued)	
Historic Preservation	
After consulting various county historic resources surve trench location maps, staff finds that no known significant application. No further comment. No action by application	cant historic resources appear to be affected by this
Design Guidelines	
Is the parcel in an area with Design Guidelines? If yes, design guidelines area Does the current site plan comply with the design requir	
Incentive Zones	
Is the property within an Opportunity Zone? The Opportunity Zone is an incentive that provides \$3,5 jobs are being created. This incentive is available for new	500 tax credit per job in eligible areas if two or more
Is the property within an Enterprise Zone? The Enterprise Zone is an incentive that provides to qualifying businesses locating or expanding within design	ax abatements and other economic incentives for
Is the property eligible for incentives through the Operary? The Commercial and Industrial Property Rehabilitation ad valorem property taxes for qualifying redevelopment	Yes ■ No Program is an incentive that provides a reduction in

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Special Districts	
Is this property within the Cumberland Special District # □ Yes ■ No	1 (hotel/motel fee)?
Is this property within the Cumberland Special District #2 ☐ Yes ■ No	2 (ad valorem tax)?
Is this property within the Six Flags Special Service Distribution ☐ Yes ■ No	rict?

PRESENT ZONING R-20				PE	TITION FOR <u>FST</u>
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WATER COMMENTS: NOTE: Comments ref	lect o	nly what facilities	s were	in ex	istence at the time of this review.
Available at Development:	✓	Yes			No
Fire Flow Test Required:	✓	Yes			No
Size / Location of Existing Water Main(s): 6" A	AC /	E side of South	Hurt I	Road	
Additional Comments: Master meter to be set a	t pub	olic ROW			
Developer may be required to install/upgrade water mains, based on Review Process.	n fire fl	ow test results or Fire	e Departr	nent Co	ode. This will be resolved in the Plan
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SEWER COMMENTS: NOTE: Comments	reflec	ct only what facili	ities we	re in	existence at the time of this review.
In Drainage Basin:	✓	Yes			No
At Development:	✓	Yes			No
Approximate Distance to Nearest Sewer: Alo	ong n	othern portion	of prop	erty	
Estimated Waste Generation (in G.P.D.): A	DF=	= 2,880		1	Peak= 7,200
Treatment Plant:		Sout	th Cob	b	
Plant Capacity:	✓	Available		Not	Available
Line Capacity:	~	Available		Not	Available
Proiected Plant Availability:	✓	0 - 5 vears		5 - 1	10 years
Drv Sewers Required:		Yes	✓	No	
Off-site Easements Required:		Yes*	✓	No	*If off-site easements are required, Developmust submit easements to CCWS for
Flow Test Required:		Yes	~	No	review/approval as to form and stipulations prior to the execution of easements by the
Letter of Allocation issued:		Yes	~	No	property owners. All easement acquisitions are the responsibility of the Developer
Septic Tank Recommended by this Department	:	Yes	✓	No	
Subject to Health Department Approval:		Yes	✓	No	
Additional					

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Comments:

Developer will be responsible for connecting to the existing County water and sewer systems, installing and/or upgrading all outfalls and water mains, obtaining on and/or offsite easements, dedication of on and/or offsite water and sewer to Cobb County, as may be required. Rezoning does not guarantee water/sewer availability/capacity unless so stated in writing by the Cobb County Water System. Permit issuances subject to continued treatment plant compliance with EPD discharge requirements.

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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMENTS	
FLOOD HAZARD: YES NO POSSIBLY, NO	OT VERIFIED
DRAINAGE BASIN: Noonday Creek ☐ FEMA Designated 100 year Floodplain Flood. ☐ Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance DESIGNATED FLO ☐ Project subject to the Cobb County Flood Damage Preventi ☐ Dam Breach zone from (upstream) (onsite) lake - need to ke	ion Ordinance Requirements.
WETLANDS: ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ POSSIBLY, NOT V	ERIFIED
Location:	
☐ The Owner/Developer is responsible for obtaining any recorns of Engineer.	quired wetland permits from the U.S. Army
STREAMBANK BUFFER ZONE: YES NO F	POSSIBLY, NOT VERIFIED
 Metropolitan River Protection Area (within 2000' of undisturbed buffer each side of waterway). ☐ Chattahoochee River Corridor Tributary Area - County rev. ☐ Georgia Erosion-Sediment Control Law and County Ordina ☐ Georgia DNR Variance may be required to work in 25 foot ☐ County Buffer Ordinance: 50', 75', 100' or 200' each side 	iew (<u>undisturbed</u> buffer each side). ance - County Review/State Review. a streambank buffers.
DOWNSTREAM CONDITION	
 ☑ Potential or Known drainage problems exist for developme ☑ Stormwater discharges must be controlled not to exceed the drainage system. ☑ Minimize runoff into public roads. ☑ Minimize the effect of concentrated stormwater discharges ☐ Developer must secure any R.O.W required to receive 	e capacity available in the downstream storm onto adjacent properties.
naturally ☐ Existing Lake Downstream Additional BMP's for erosion sediment controls will be req ☐ Lake Study needed to document sediment levels. ☐ Stormwater discharges through an established residential not project engineer must evaluate the impact of increased value of project on downstream receiving system.	eighborhood downstream.

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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMME	NTS – Continued
SPECIAL SITE CONDITIONS	
 □ Provide comprehensive hydrology/stormwater contrees □ Submit all proposed site improvements to Plan Revision □ Any spring activity uncovered must be addressed be structural fill must be placed under the direct engineer (PE). □ Existing facility. □ Project must comply with the Water Quality requestion County Water Quality Ordinance. □ Water Quality/Quantity contributions of the existing conditions into proposed project. □ Calculate and provide % impervious of project site. □ Revisit design; reduce pavement area to reduce runo 	y a qualified geotechnical engineer (PE). ction of a qualified registered Georgia geotechnical quirements of the CWA-NPDES-NPS Permit and ng lake/pond on site must be continued as baseline
INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION	
 ☐ No Stormwater controls shown ☐ Copy of survey is not current – Additional commen are exposed. ☐ No site improvements showing on exhibit. 	ts may be forthcoming when current site conditions

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- 1. This site is located just east of South Hurt Road. The entire parcel drains to the east into and through the Foxfire Forest Subdivision. There is an existing private culvert located just downstream of the site that may be undersized.
- 2. There are multiple downstream drainage complaints and capacity issues due to the age of these developments. To mitigate these impacts, the First Flush Water Quality Best Management Practice Requirements must be elevated to the 1.5-inch rainfall event and each larger storm discharge controlled not to exceed the allowable discharge of the next lower, more frequent storm event (ie. 5-year storm event released at 2-year rate; 10-year event at 5-year rate; etc. to 100-year event at 50-year rate).
- 3. Townhome developments are considered private which will require that all stormwater infrastructure be maintained by the HOA. The current layout will likely require the use of underground detention which will likely result in higher maintenance costs than a typical above-ground facility. A revised plan that utilizes an above-ground system is recommended for such a small development.

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TRANSPORTATION COMMENTS	

The following comments and recommendations are based on field investigation and office review of the subject rezoning case:

ROADWAY	AVERAGE DAILY TRIPS	ROADWAY CLASSIFICATION	SPEED LIMIT	JURISDICTIONAL CONTROL	MIN. R.O.W. REQUIREMENTS
South Hurt Road		Minor Collector	35	Cobb	60'

Based on [] traffic counting data taken by Cobb County DOT

COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS

South Hurt Road is classified as a minor collector and according to the available information the existing right-of-way does not meet the minimum requirements for this classification.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommend applicant be required to meet all Cobb County Development Standards and Ordinances related to project improvements.

Recommend applicant consider entering into a development agreement pursuant to O.C.G.A. 36-71-13 for dedication of the following system improvements to mitigate traffic concerns: a) donation of right-of-way on the north side of South Hurt Road, a minimum of 30' from the centerline.

Recommend taper for the South Hurt Road access.

Recommend curb, gutter, and sidewalk along the South Hurt Road frontage.

Per Section 401.10, recommend development entrance be offset a minimum of 125 feet from intersecting streets on other side of the South Hurt Road.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

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- A. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal will permit a use that is not suitable in view of the use and development of adjacent and nearby properties. The proposed density of 5.17 units per acre is more than double that allowed by the property's LDR low density residential designation and more than double the highest density adjacent subdivision (Russell Heights 2.49 upa). The proposal is surrounded by single-family houses.
- B. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal will have an adverse affect on the usability of adjacent or nearby property. The proposed density is much too great for the subject site and could lead to other such "pockets" of higher density being requested along South Hurt Road. The type of development is out of character with the area.
- C. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal will not result in a use which would cause an excessive or burdensome use of existing streets, transportation facilities, utilities, or schools. This opinion can be supported by the departmental comments contained in this analysis.
- D. It is Staff's opinion that the applicant's rezoning proposal is not in conformity with the policy and intent of the *Cobb County Comprehensive Plan*. The subject site is delineated as LDR low density residential on the future land use map and therefore should be developed for single-family homes within the density range of 1-2.5 units per acre. Surrounding neighborhoods similarly zoned and within the same LDR designation conform to this range. The applicant's request would be more than double these surrounding neighborhoods and more than double the forecasted range of the LDR area.
- E. It is Staff's opinion that there are existing and changing conditions affecting the use and development of the property which give supporting grounds for denying the applicant's rezoning proposal. The request is out of character with the surrounding single-family homes that conform to the LDR designation's 1-2.5 units per acre. If approved, the request could lead to subsequent requests for out of character densities in the area.

Based on the above analysis, Staff recommends **DENIAL**.

The recommendations made by the Planning and Zoning Staff are only the opinions of the Planning and Zoning Staff and are by no means the final decision. The Cobb County Board of Commissioners makes the final decisions on all Rezoning and Land Use Permits at an advertised public hearing.



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BOC Hearing Date: <u>A-/7-/</u>S

Summary of Intent for Rezoning

a)	
,	Proposed unit square-sootage(s): 2,000 min
b)	Proposed building architecture: CRAFTSMAN
c)	Proposed selling prices(s): \$\frac{1}{250,000}\$
d)	List all requested variances:
	residential Rezoning Information (attach additional information if needed)
a)	Proposed use(s):
<u>b)</u>	Proposed building architecture:
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<u>c)</u>	Proposed hours/days of operation:
d)	List all requested variances:
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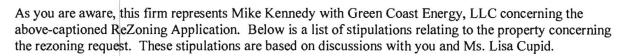


January 6, 2015

Mr. Terry Martin, Cobb County Zoning Division Community Development Agency 1150 Powder Springs Road, Suite 400 Marietta, Georgia 30064

Re: Zoning Stipulations - Russell Preserve

Dear Mr. Martin:



Zoning Stipulations:

- Mandatory Homeowner's Association (HOA) will be established and will be responsible for the maintenance of entrance signage, landscaping of entrance and frontage, street island and detention pond area, as well as any fencing around detention pond.
- 2. The proposed houses will be four-sided masonry (brick or stone) at the basement level, and minimum three-sided masonry above the basement level. Masonry materials to consist of brick, stone, cedar shake, and cement (i.e. Hardie plank) siding.
- 3. The proposed houses will be minimum of 2,500 square feet.
- 4. The project will incorporate a landscape strip (minimum 10' wide) along the South Hurt Road frontage. This landscape area will be irrigated, and maintained by the Homeowner's Association.
- 5. Subdivision entrance sign/s to be monument based, constructed of masonry materials, and located outside of right-of-way.
- 6. Front, back, and side yards of houses to be landscaped and irrigated, where conditions permit.
- 7. Development shall comply with the county's landscape and tree ordinance.
- 8. Pond area to be landscaped and incorporated as an amenity.
- 9. The following buffers will be enforced: a.) 10 foot buffer along the southern and eastern property line; b.) 10 foot buffer along northern property line or a six foot high opaque fence in lieu of a buffer, due to the existing sanitary sewer easement.
- 10. Five foot wide sidewalk to be installed along South Hurt Road, with a two foot grass strip between curb and sidewalk.
- 11. The following construction schedule shall be enforced: October 1st through March 31st (7:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday); April 1st through September 30th (7:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday); October 1st through September 30th (9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m., Saturday); No outside work on Sunday unless approved

by the District Commissioner. All construction vehicle parking to be on project site. No construction parking on public right-of-ways or in adjacent subdivisions allowed.

- 12. Compliance with Cobb County Stormwater Division regulations.
- 13. Compliance with Cobb County Site Plan Review Division regulations.
- 14. Compliance with Cobb County Fire Department regulations.
- 15. If no building permits have been obtained within 18 months of rezoning, the property reverts back to current zoning.

Please review the stipulations and feel free to contact me for clarification, additional information, or for revisions.

Sincerely

Richard C. Smith, Jr. P.E.

Senior Engineer